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LETTER REGARDING RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Office of Initial Patent Examination Customer Service Center Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Response mailed December 5, 2002 states that the Patent and Trademark Office cannot comply with Applicants' request for a corrected filing receipt (filed November 20, 2002), and sets forth the following reasons:

- 1. "If your application was submitted under 37 CFR 1.10, your filing date should be the 'date in' found the Express Mail Label."
 - 2. "A copy of the Express Mail label was not enclosed with your request."

Both of these reasons are directed to applications filed via Express Mail, under 37 CFR§1.10. However, the present application was not filed under those procedures. Rather, it was hand-carried to the Customer Service window. A copy of the post card receipt bearing the PTO date stamp of January 18, 2000 is submitted herewith.

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It is respectfully submitted that Applicants are entitled to a filing date of January 18, 2000, and issuance of a Corrected Filing Receipt to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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